(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
28.	Kerala	Rs. 30.00 to Rs. 164.77	Rates vary from employment to employment; includes V.D.A.
29.	Tamil Nadu	Rs. 35.57 to Rs. 88.73	-do-
30.	Pondicherry	Rs. 19.25 to Rs. 65.00 p.d.	Rates vary from employment to employment
31.	Lakshadweep	Rs. 45.00	Single rate for all employment, includes V.D.A.
Central Sphere		Rs. 46.98 to Rs. 84.12	Rates vary from employment to employment (according to areas), includes V.D.A.

Employment Opportunities

†4185. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) the extent to which the existing labour policy has been successful in creating opportunities for employment in the organised sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of these opportunities in each of the States, separately; and

(d) whether Government are contemplating to formulate any time-bound scheme in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL) : (a) to (c) The policy of the State in respect of labour is reflected in a large number of labour legislations. Employment opportunities in the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

organised sector are dependent on a number of factors and it is, therefore, difficult to correlate employment opportunities merely with labour policy.

(d) The primary objective of the Ninth Plan is to generate greater productive employment in the growth process itself by concentrating on sectors, sub-sectors and technologies which are more labour intensive, in regions characterised by higher rate of unemployment and under employment.

A Task Force under the Chairmanship of Dr. M.S. Ahluwalia, Member, Planning Commission has also been set up to look into the employment generation taking place and suggest measures to generate at least one hundred million jobs in a period of 10 years (Ten million jobs in each year).

Construction of Houses for Beedi Workers

4186. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have provided fund for construction of houses for the Beedi workers in Orissa;

(b) if so, the amount sanctioned by Government;

(c) the number of houses constructed for Beedi workers in the State;

(d) has the entire Central allocation been spent on the construction of dwelling units for the Beedi workers in that State;

(e) if not, the total amount come back to Centre; and

(f) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. An amount of Rs. 1,84,61,000/- has been sanctioned for construction of 2896 houses for beedi workers in the State of Orissa during 1999-2000.

(d) The entire allocation of Rs. 1,84,61,000/-made during 1999-2000 has been spend for construction of dwelling units for the beedi workers in the State.

(e) and (f) Does not arise.